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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to confidential records and juror
- 2 questionnaires.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 22.7, Code 2022, is amended by adding the 2 following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 75. Juror questionnaires provided by the
- 4 judicial branch and completed for the purpose of jury service.
- 5 Sec. 2. REPEAL. Section 607A.47, Code 2022, is repealed.
- 6 EXPLANATION
- 7 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 9 This bill relates to confidential records protected by Code
- 10 chapter 22 (public records) and juror questionnaires. Under
- 11 current law, a completed juror questionnaire is not protected
- 12 unless the court orders the sealing or partial sealing of a
- 13 completed juror questionnaire. The bill makes a completed
- 14 juror questionnaire a confidential record and it can only be
- 15 released by an order from the court, a lawful custodian of the
- 16 records, or by another person duly authorized to release such
- 17 information.